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SUBJECT: RUCHKIN-SIEVERS CASES

REF: STATE 002501 AND PREVIOUS

1. PANAM EMPLOYEE ROBERT SIEVERS TOLD CONSOFFS JANUARY 27 THAT SOVIET BORDER AUTHORITIES HAD REFUSED TO PERMIT HIM TO BOARD A FLIGHT DEPARTING SOVIET UNION. HIS FAMILY WOULD HAVE BEEN PERMITTED TO DEPART, BUT ELECTED TO REMAIN BEHIND. AUTHORITIES GAVE NO REASON FOR REFUSAL, BUT SIEVERS EXIT VISA VALID UNTIL DECMEBER 1977.

2. SIEVERS' UNDERSTANDING, BASED ON CONVERSATION LOCAL PANAM DIRECTOR DRAHORAD HAD WITH SOVIET OFFICIALS, WAS THAT THE CAHRGES AGAINST HIM HAD BEEN COMPLETELY DROPPED AND THAT HE WAS FREE TO COME AND GO AS HE WISHED.

3. CONSOFF TRIED TO REACH REZNICHENKO AT MFA CONSULAR ADMINISTRATION TO DISCUSS ISSUE, BUT HE HAD ALREADY LEFT FOR THE DAY. CONSOFF WILL DISCUSS THE MATTER WITH HIM TOMORROW. IF THIS IS NOT SIMPLY A MATTER OF BORDER AUTHORITIES NOT HAVING BEEN INFORMED THAT CHARGES AGAINST SIEVERS HAD BEEN DROPPED, EMBASSY INTENDS SUBMIT STRONG PROTEST, SINCE REFUSAL TO PERMIT SIEVERS TO DEPART SOVIET UNION IS PART OF LINKAGE TO THE RUCHKIN CASE THAT WE HAVE PREVIOUSLY PROTESTED.

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RM DRAHORAD CURRENTLY IN NEW YORK ON BUSINESS. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT CONTACT HIM THROUGH PANAM NEW YORK OFFICE TO GET CLEARER PICTURE OF WHAT HE WAS TOLD AND BY WHOM.

5. ALTHOUGH WE WILL CONTINUE TO ASSERT THAT ANY LINKAGE BETWEEN RUCHKIN AND SIEVERS CASES IS UNACCEPTABLE, WE WOULD APPRECIATE

UPDATE ON RUCHKIN CASE FOR OUR BACKGROUND INFORMATION. WE NOTE
THAT SIEVERS, BY INADVERTENT COINCIDENCE, ATTEMPTED TO DEPART
USSR ON SAME DAY THAT RUCHKIN COURT APPEARANCE SCHEDULED IN US.
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